1	2	3
Kerala	3539.4	867.8
Madhya Pradesh	1452.2	362.3
Maharashtra	3434.4	988.7
Manipur	258.1	147.4
Meghalaya	24.9	13.5
Mizoram	20.3	64.3
Nagaland	21.4	16.2
Orissa	737.6	170.9
Punjab	411.6	125.1
Rajasthan	556.7	201.8
Sikkim*		
Tamilnadu	3498.8	1426.7
Tripura	131.9	194.9
Uttaranchal	249.3	77.9
Uttar Pradesh	1420.3	428.8
West Bengal	3248.0	2914.6
(B) Union Territories		
Andaman & Nicobar Island	16.1	18.4
Chandigarh	61.8	27.3
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.7	4.7
Daman & Diu	2.7	5.0
Lakshadweep	5.2	6.0
Pondicherry	132.8	9.4
TOTAL	30292.8	11703.1

*No Employment Exchange is functioning in this State.
Figures may not add up to total due to rounding off.

Poverty Alleviation and Employment Generation

†522. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether a note on poverty alleviation and employment generation was sent to the Director General, I.L.O. wherein detailed opinion has been sought on various aspects of expected cooperation on the part of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the areas in which expected cooperation from India is possible?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) No, Sir. However, a suggestion was made for setting up an International Skill Development Fund, in the

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

intervention made by the Labour Ministry in the International Labour Conference, with a view to generate employment, during 91st session of International Labour Conference.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Default in Payment of Interest on EPFO Funds

523. SHRI GAYA SINGH:
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of organisations where the EPFO has invested its funds, have defaulted in the payment of interest;

(b) if so, the details of these organisation, investments made in each, interest due, actually paid and defaulted amount as on the 31st March, 2002 and 2003; and

(c) what steps are being taken for the recovery of the arrears?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) List of organisations which have defaulted in payment of interest alongwith investments made in each organization, interest due as on 31.3.2002 & 31.3.2003, actually paid and defaulted amount, is provided in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) For recovery of arrears, the matter has been vigorously taken up by the portfolio manager, State Bank of India and the Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO). In case of HMT Limited, a civil suit was filed on 29.6.1999 and the matter is still pending in the Court. In case of IFCI Limited a legal notice was also issued.

IFCI had approached the CBT, EPF for restructuring of its debts. The CTB, EPF in its 162nd meeting held on 27th June 2003 decided that IFCI be asked to meet its payment obligations at the contracted rates till 31.3.2002 along with over due interest and @ 10% per annum subsequently. CBT, EPF further decided that existing investment be rolled over for a further period of 10 years.